



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

HOW TO OBTAIN A PERMIT FOR Water, Sewer or Fire Service

CITY OF SAN DIEGO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
1222 FIRST AVENUE, MS 301, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101-4153
Call (619) 446-5300 for appointments and (619) 446-5000 for information.

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This Information Bulletin covers procedures for obtaining a permit to install water, sewer or fire services. The City of San Diego Water Department may be hired, in certain cases, to install water and sewer services. All water service connections to the main and the installation of water meters must be performed by the Water Department. For more information refer to section III in this bulletin.

A permanent encroachment permit is required if the proposed water, sewer or fire service is not perpendicular to the property line or the main does not front the property (see Figure 1).

Permits are issued at the City of San Diego Development Services, 1222 First Avenue, third floor.

I. PLOT PLAN

A plot plan, a drawing showing the general layout of the lot (see Figure 2), is required. It should not exceed 11" x 17" in size and must include the following:

- Front and side property lines and all applicable dimensions.
- North arrow.
- Street names and center lines.
- Property owner's name, address, and phone number.
- Site address and legal description of the property, i.e., lot number, block number (when applicable), subdivision name, map number, and assessor's parcel number.
- Location and size of water and/or sewer main.
- Distance from main, proposed service, and curb to property lines.

For water and sewer main information, visit the Records Section at the Development Services Center, second floor, or phone (619) 446-5200. Another resource is Records Division of the Water Department, (619) 527-7482.

A **legend** should be provided to clearly explain the work to be done (i.e., type and size of service) and a reference to the Regional Standard Drawing used.

II. TRAFFIC CONTROL PERMIT

A Traffic Control Permit conforming to CalTrans "Manual of Traffic Controls" is required. A separate fee is charged for this service. For more information, contact the Traffic Control Permits Section, Development Services Center, third floor, or phone (619) 446-5150. Two copies of the approved Traffic Control Permit are required.

Documents referenced in this Information Bulletin

- DOSH Declaration Waiver Form.
- Information Bulletin 104, Schedule for Water and Sewer Fees

III. WATER DEPARTMENT APPROVAL

The installation of water, sewer and fire services require an approval from the Water Department, located at 600 B Street, suite 800, (619) 527-7482. Upon approval, they will sign the plot plan.

IV. DOSH PERMIT/WAIVER

If the proposed trench will be five feet deep or more, a permit from the State of California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH) will be required. If the proposed trench is less than five feet deep, a DOSH Declaration Waiver must be submitted. A copy of a blank declaration waiver form is available on the third floor of the Development Services Center. For more information contact the Department of Occupational Safety and Health, 637-5534.

V. PERMIT ISSUANCE

Appointments for permit issuance are recommended. Once you have obtained the required approvals, phone (619) 446-5300 to schedule an appointment for permit issuance. Bring three copies of the approved Plot Plan, Traffic Control Permit, and DOSH permit (if required) to your appointment. A fee will be charged at permit issuance. If you choose not to make an appointment, go to the Check-In Counter, third floor, Development Services Center.

All water service connections to the main and water meters must be installed by the Water Department. Separate fees are required for these items (refer to Information Bulletin 104, "Schedule for Water and Sewer Fees"). These services must be scheduled in advance, after the permit is issued. Contact the Water Department at (619) 527-7423 for installation information.

VI. INSPECTIONS

Inspections are required for trenching in the public right-of-way. An inspection must be scheduled after the trench has been dug and before the proposed service is connected. A final inspection is required after all work is completed. Inspectors are available before construction has begun. For more information or to schedule inspections, contact the Field Engineering Division of Engineering and Capital Projects at (858) 627-3200.

Figure 1/ Encroachment Conditions:

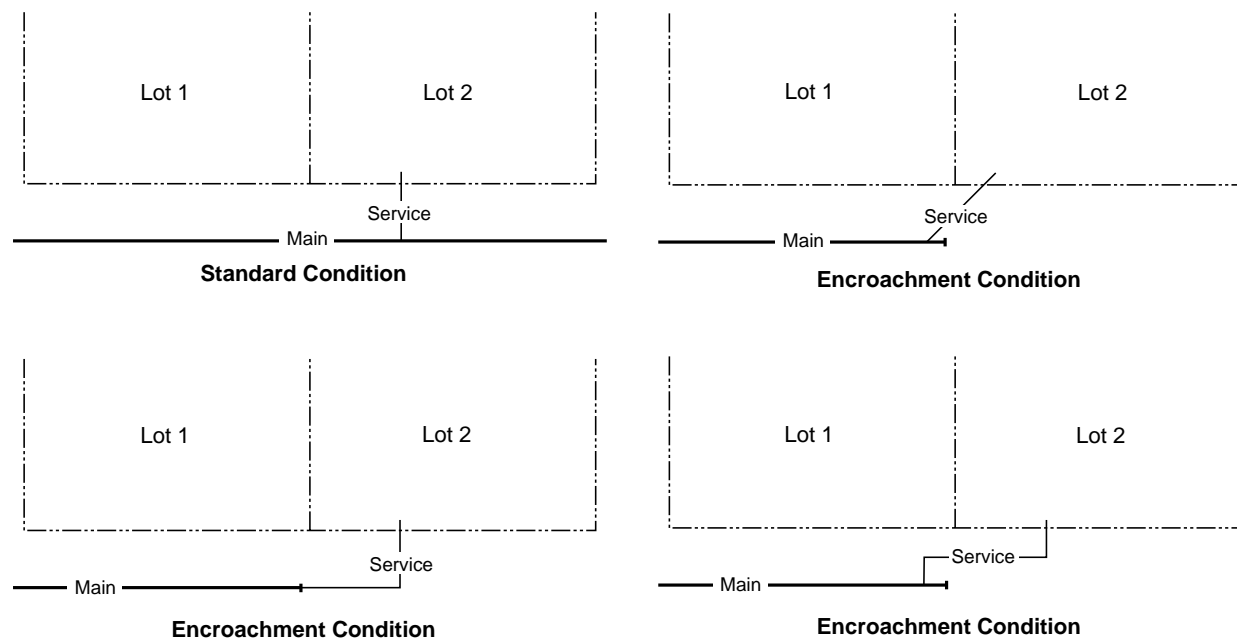
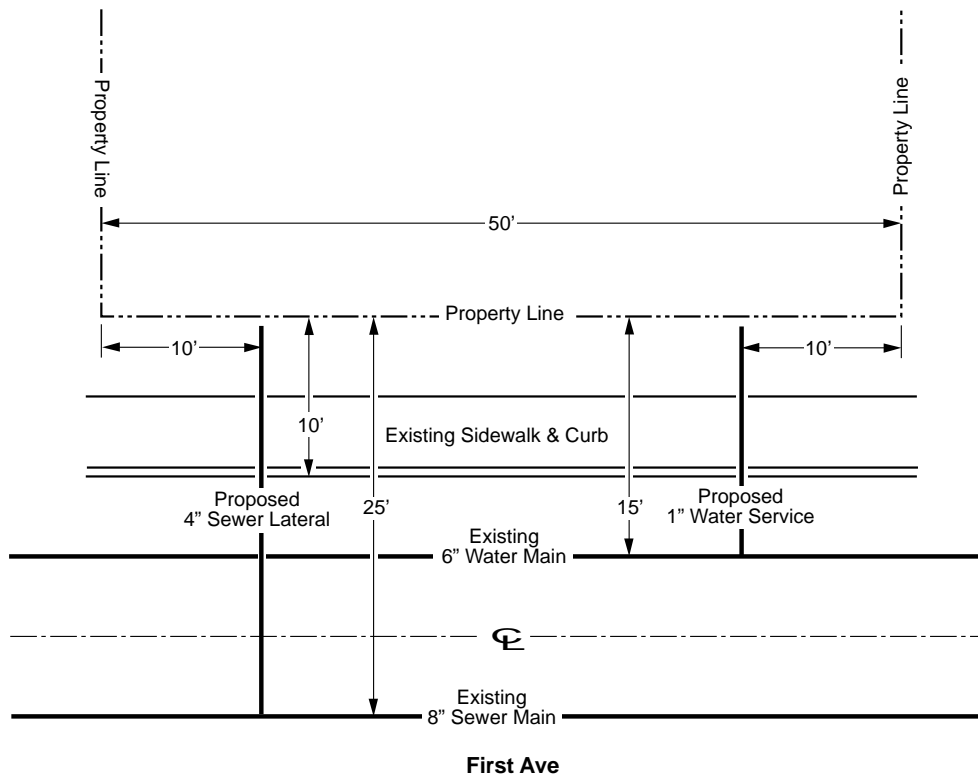


Figure 2/ Example Standard Plot
Plan:



Property Owner:
Mr. & Mrs. John Smith
200 a St.
San Diego, CA 92101
(619) 555-6789

Site Address:
1234 First Ave.
San Diego, CA 92101

Legal Description;
Lot: 1
Block: 2
City Heights Subdivision
Map: 5678
APN: 123-456-89